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In the application of:)	
KOWALIK ET AL.)	
Serial No. 10/788,961)	Art Unit 2832
Filed: February 28, 2004)	
For: ARC EXTINGUISHING DEVICE)	Examiner: M. Fishman
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION 37CFR §116

In response to the Final Action of March 11, 2005, applicants request entry of this amendment of the claims, at least to place them in better form for consideration on appeal.

No additional claims are submitted and no additional fee is submitted.

This amendment includes replacing the prior rejected claims with new claims for improved arrangement of related claims, with no changes other than minor editorial amendments as explained in the Remarks following the claims.

Allowed claims 22-30 and 32 are merely presented in clean form without change except for minor editorial

amendments discussed in the Remarks. Objected to claims 43 and 52-54 are retained with merely amendments of the claim number from which claims 43 and 52 depend.

<u>Previously Presented Rejected Claims</u>	<u>Corresponding Rewritten Claims</u>
Independent claim 48.	New claim 55.
Independent claims 2, 5-10, and 49-51.	New claims 56-65, respectively, with dependence relating to claim 55.
Independent claim 11.	New claim 66.
Dependent claims 12, 15, 17- 20, and 31.	New claims 67-73, respectively, with dependence relating to claim 66.
Independent claim 33.	New claim 74.
Dependent claims 34-40.	New claims 75-81, respectively, with dependence relating to claim 74. (Objected to claims 52-54 now relate to claim 79.)
Independent claim 41.	New claim 82.
Dependent claims 42 and 44- 47.	New claims 83-87, respectively, with dependence relating to claim 82. (Objected to claim 43 now depends on claim 82).

With the entry of this amendment, the claims in the application are:

Allowed claims 22-30 and 32,

Objected to claims 43 and 52-54, and

New claims 55-87 (a total of 33 claims) apparently finally rejected (based on the Office Action Summary).

Claims 2, 5-12, 15, 17-20, 31, 33-42, 44-51 (a total of 33 claims replaced by the new claims) are canceled, without prejudice.